

REMARKS

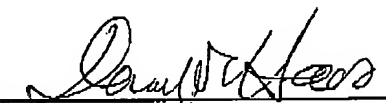
This application, from its filing date, has had claims to alkyl ether sulfate compositions. These claims were examined and allowed by the Examiner in the office action of April 23, 2004. Subsequent to that time, the Applicants filed the Request for Continued Examination in order to cite a newly uncovered reference. On October 14, 2004, the Applicants submitted a petition to amend the specification and also to amend the claims by canceling claims 1-53 and leaving only claim 54. That amendment of the claims was a mistake. It was meant to be carried out in another divisional application, Serial No. 10/817,640. The Supplemental Amendment filed August 15, 2005 was the Applicant's attempt to correct that mistake.

The foregoing amendments are made in accordance with the undersigned's telephone conversation with Examiner Ogden on October 20, 2005. All of the claims have been cancelled and new claims have been submitted. The new claims correspond to original claims 5-17 and 39-41 and previously presented claims 55 and 56. Thus the new claims have the same claim language as those which the Applicants previously elected for prosecution in this application.

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